AN ASTROLOGICALL JUDGEMENT

Upon His

MAIESTIES

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Ludit in humanis divina potentia rebus.

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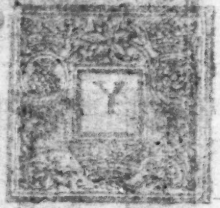

TO THE FREINDLY and judicious Readers.

YOV have here (at the request of some *Honourable Personages*) *An Astrological Judgement*, upon the future successe of His *Majesties* present *March* begun the 7 of *May* Instant. It is delivered in *Generall* Termes, for I neither will nor dare descend to *Particulars*: That would require the knowledge of many things, besides His *Majesties Nativity*, which I may not presume to meddle with; It being in it selfe both unlawfull and very dangerous to publish any thing concerning the particular fortunes and Destinies of *Princes*. For in this *Thrasybulus*, *Asclepiarion*, and *Gauricus*, were much to blame, the first whereof foretold the Destruction of *Tiberius* the

Emperour, the second, of *Domitian*, the third, of *Bentivoli* in *Bononia*: So likewise the Preist that caused the Rumour of the future *Murthering* of *Galeacius Sforcia Duke* of *Millaine*, who were all of them worthily rewarded for their folly. And so ought Master *Lilly* and Master *Booker* to be for their pernicious Pamphlets, wherein their sole endeavour hath hitherto been by most disloyall and ambiguous Phrases to animate and hasten on the *Rebels* and other *Conspiratours* to plot and attempt *Mischiefe* against His *Majestie*, whereas an honest and discreet Artist ought not to divulge anything (especially of *Princes*) that may any way tend to endanger their Persons, but either not to meddle at all, or else to deale privately with the *Prince* himselfe; and then also to adhere to *Cardanes* Rule in his Book *De Astrologicis Interrogationibus*: *Principi ne magnum malum firmiter unquam prædixeris, sed Periculum.* Howbeit *Cardane* himselfe deale more plainly, and therefore more dangerously with *Edward* the Sixth, as appeareth in the *Judicials* of his *Nativity* given out in the beginning of his *Duodecim Illustres Genituræ.*

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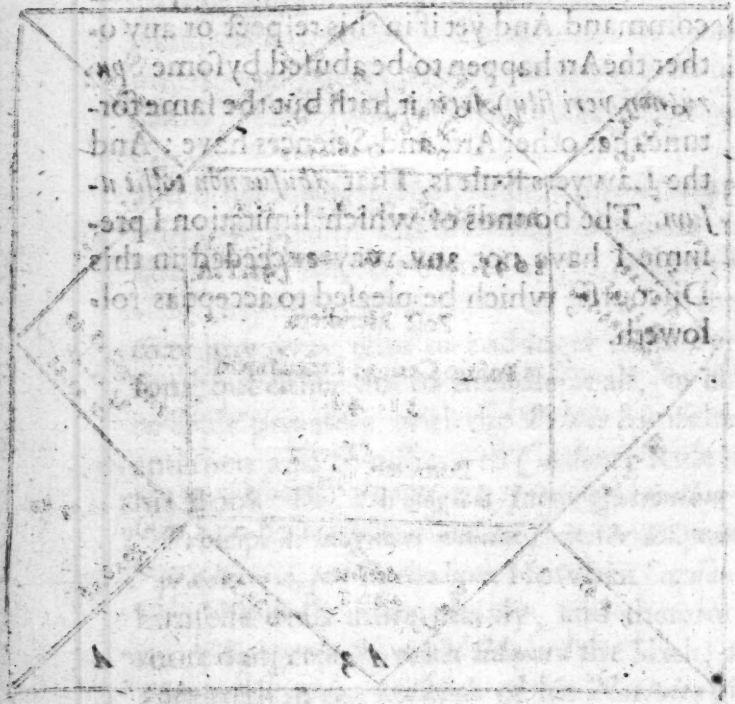
But neither *Cardane* (notwithstanding he was a man of extraordinary credit) nor any other personall example can warrant any other private men to intermeddle with the *Nativities* of their *Princes*, otherwise then is before limited, or upon the *Princes* speciall command. And yet if in this respect or any other the Art happen to be abused by some *Spurij* (*non veri filij*) *Artis*, it hath but the same fortune that other Arts and Sciences have: And the Lawyers Rule is, That *Abusus non tollit usum*. The bounds of which limitation I presume I have not any way exceeded in this Discourse, which be pleased to accept as followeth.



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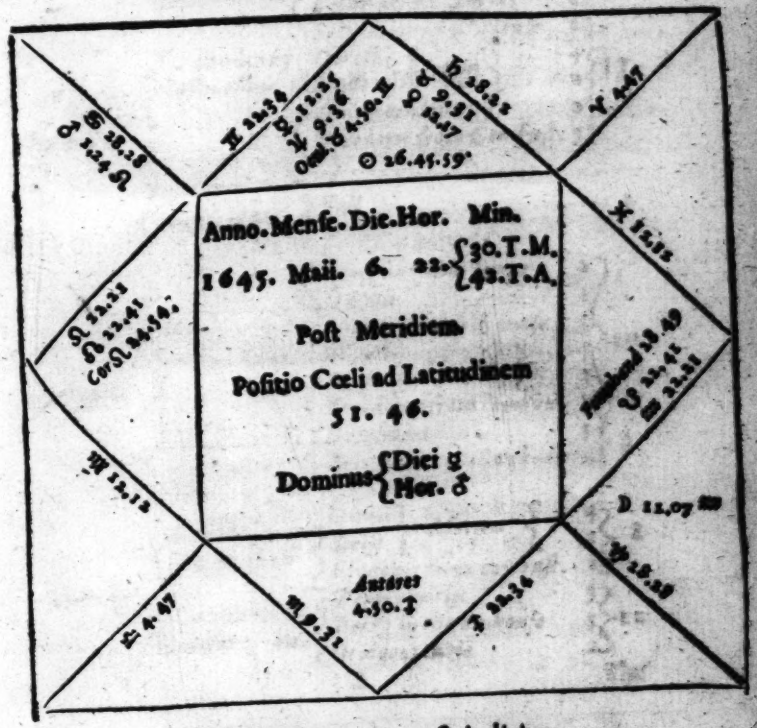

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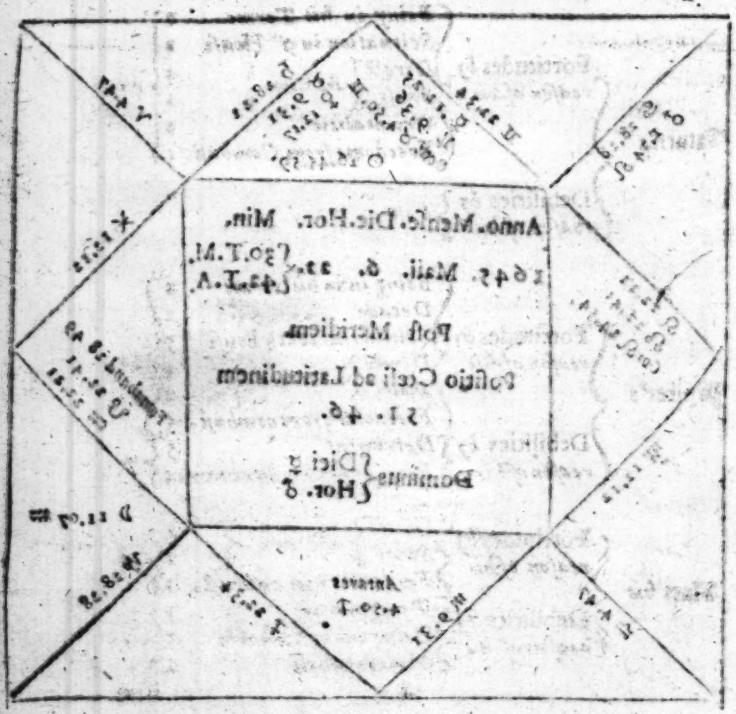

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A *Table* of the severall *Fortitudes* and *Debilities* of the *Planets* according to their Scituation in the *Figure*

Saturn's	Fortitudes by reason of his	*Being in his Terme*	2		
		Scituation in 9th House	3		
		Direct Motion	4		17
		Swift Motion	2		
		Orientalitie	3		
		Freedome from Combust.	5		
	Debilities by reason of his	*Fall*	4		
Jupiter's	Fortitudes by reason of his	*Being in his terme*	3		
		Decade	1		
		Scituation in the tenth house	5		19
		Direct Motion	4		
		Swift Motion	2		
		Freedome from combust.	5		
	Debilities by reason of his	*Detriment*	5		9
		Being under the Sunbeams	4		
Mars his	Fortitudes by reason of his	*Direct* Motion	4		8
		Swift Motion	2		
		Freedome from combust.	2		
	Debilities by reason of his	*Peregrinitie*	5		12
		Being in the 12 house	5		
		Occidentalitie	2		

- The Sun's
  - Fortitudes by reason of his
    - Being in the 10 house 5 } 5
  - Debilities by reason of his
    - Peregrinitie 5 } 7
    - Slow motion 2 }

- Venus her
  - Fortitudes by reason of her
    - Triplicitie & Termes 8
    - Being in the 10 house 5
    - Direct Motion 4
    - Swift Motion 2
    - Freedome from combust. 5
    - Orientalitie 2
    - } 26
  - Debilities by reason of his
    - Being in & with Cap. Alg. }
    - Being under the Sunbeames } 9

- Mercury his
  - Fortitudes by reason of his
    - Being in his owne house 5
    - Triplicitie 3
    - Being in the 10 house 5
    - Direct Motion 4
    - Swift Motion 2
    - Freedom from Combust. 5
    - } 24
  - Debilities by reason of his
    - Occidentalitie 2 } 2

- The Moone's
  - Fortitudes by reason of her
    - Freedom from Combust. 5 } 5
  - Debilities by reason of her
    - Perigrinity 5
    - Being in the 6 house 4
    - Slow Motion 3
    - Decreasing in Light 2
    - } 13

AN ASTROLOGICALL JUDGEMENT UPON HIS MAJESTIES MARCH.

BY this distribution the *Fortitudes* and *Debilities* of every Planet in the precedent Cœlestiall Scheme are eatily gathered: It followeth then that we likewise conferre them amongst themselves according to the respective Numbers of their *Fortitudes* and *Debilities*, that it may yet more manifestly appeare, which of them are most strong and fortunate, which most weake and infortunate, and accordingly how they succeed one another in strength and Power.

First then, the Planet *Mercury* of all the rest is simply most strong and fortunate in the Scheme. For if the number of his *Debilities* be deducted from the summe of his *Fortitudes* there still remaineth 22 Testimonies of strength, which no other Planet obtaineth in the *Figure*.

The next in dignity is *Saturne* who hath 12 Teſtimonies; Then *Venus*, and *Iupiter*, who are both very powerfull: the firſt of them being endued with 17, the latter with 10 *Dignities*: *Mars* and the *Sunne* are both but weake in reſpect of their *Eſſentiall Dignities*: yet for ſome Circumſtances very conſiderable in this caſe, the *Sunne* may be ſaid to be the ſtronger, which being generally taken is a good and laudable token.

The *Moone* of all others is the moſt debilitated her *Detriments* exceeding her *Fortitudes* by 8 which, will prove very advantagious to His Majeſty, as hereafter ſhall be noted. And thus much generally touching the conſtitution of the Planets in the *Figure*.

Now to deſcend more particularly to the preſent matter. We are (in this caſe) principally to conſider 4 things.

1. *Firſt*, the *Aſcendent* of the *Scheme*, which is the *Significator* of the *City* from whence his *Majeſty* began his *March*: From which houſe we are to collect the condition and State of this City during his *Majeſties* abſence.

2. *Secondly*, The 10 *Houſe*, which (according to *Ha-ly*) is the *Significatrix* of the journey: And from this we are to deduce our judgement of his *Majeſties* ſucceſſe during the time of his *March*.

3. The *Third* thing to be conſidered is the 7 *Houſe* by which we are to judge how his *Majeſtie* is likely to be received in thoſe Parts where his Army ſhall paſſe, and of his ſucceſſe againſt the Enemy.

4. And *Laſtly* the *fourth Houſe*, whereby we are to informe our ſelves of his *Majeſties* ſucceſſe in the returne.

"*Vnde si quis istorum laetorum melior, & fortunatior*
"*fuerit factus, significat bonitatem in illa sua significati-*
"*one: Et si quis fuerit male affectus & nocivus, signifi-*
"*cat damnum in illa sua significatione. Vid. Haly Pag.*
328.

As concerning the first, we finde the 22 degree of the *Regall signe Leo* at that instant ascending our *Horizon*, *Cor Leonis* in the *Ascendent*. And the *Dragons Head* in the very *Cuspe* thereof: And the *Sun* (*Lord* of the *First House*) not unfortunately posited in the *South Angle* of the Heavens: Which is the house of *Empire, Rule, Dignities, Offices, and Arts, &c.* And he environ'd with the two Benigne Planets *Jupiter* and *Venus*, who likewise behold the Ascendent and are free from any configuration with the *Malevolents*. These are evident and undeniable Testimonies of the *Honour* and *safety* of this famous *Vniversity and City of Oxford*, And of the *care* and vigilancy of those that are intrusted by his Majesty with the government thereof: Of the *Fidelity, Courage, Industry*, and necessary *Expence* of her *Inhabitants* for the *Defence* of it: And of their conformity to such wholsome *Orders*, as either are or shall hereafter be made by the Wisedome of the *Councellors* for the good and Benefit of the *City*.

In a word, All the good our hearts can wish for is promised us by the *Scheme*. I hope the seasonable care taken, and the Directions already given for prevention of the Sickness will adde much to our happinesse: Some strange kinde of Mortality must be expected this yeare in most Cities and great Townes,

throughout the South, South-East, and South-West parts of this Kingdome: But especially let *London* be forewarned of her misery: She is much (and that deservedly) threatned. You may heare more of her after the 23 of *May* instant, for from thence doth the Influence of *Saturnus* Transite out of *Aries* into *Taurus* begin to operate.

As touching the second thing here considerable, which is the *Tenth House*; we may observe the *ninth Degree* and 31 *min.* of *Taurus Culminating*, which is the *House* and *Triplicity* of *Venus*; wherein also she is most fortunately seated within 3 *Degrees* of the *Cusp* thereof, beholding the *Ascendent*, free from *Combustion*, or any configuration with the *Malevolent* Planets; being *Direct* and *Swift* of Motion, and *Orientall* of the *Sun*: To her (therefore) may we justly attribute the signification of his *Majesties Martch*: Who being (by nature) Benevolent, by her *Essentiall* and *Accidentall* Position so fortunate: We cannot pronounce lesse to his *Majestie*, and his whole Army, then a wonderfull *happy*, *prosperous*, and *successefull Martch*, And contrarily exceeding much *Feare* and *Terrour*, *dissipation*, and utter *Ruine* to his *Enemies*:

The *Dragons Head* in the *Cusp* of the *Ascendent* tells us, "*Quod habebit bonum antequam se inde moveat*, "*& in principio Itineris*, *Haly Par.* 3. *Pag.* 108". This was verified in part by that Gallant Encounter with the Enemy performed (with so good successe) by the Right Honourable the Lord *Goring* neare *Newbridge* the same seaventh day; occasioned upon his *Majesties* Motion hence.

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The Generality of this good to his *Majesty* and his Army, is further confirmed by the Powerfull presence of *Jupiter*, the *Sun*, and *Mercury* in the *South-Angle*; And the unfortunate Positure of the *Moone* in the *Figure &c.*

"*Artabari dixit: Si quando Rex, vel alius voluerit*
"*capere inimicum qui sit valoris minoris eo; statuat* ☽ *in*
"☌, *aut* ☍, *vel in via combust. aut cum* ☊, *vel* ☋, *&c.*
"*Et sol sit salvus & purus ab infortuniis & in medio cœli*
"*sint fortunæ; Etiam si quando magis infortunata fuerit*
"☽ *erit pejus & majus damnum pro illo inimico, quia* ☽
"*est significatrix Populi, &c. ac servorum. Haly Pag.* 340.

We have here (as before we noted) the *Sun*, both the *Fortunes*, and *Mercury* safely seated in the *Mid-heaven*; And the *Moone* (who naturally, (and in this case especially) signifieth the many-headed-monster *Multitude*, (such persons as in *January* 1641. tumultuously assembled themselves (to the hazard of his *Majesties Royall Person*) to cry for *Blood* in the Termes of *Iustice*; those who through their pretended zeale to I know not what, have brought the curse of God upon themselves and the whole Kingdome, first by slaying the Innocent in cold Blood, and ever since by Engageing their Persons and estates in this most unnaturall and Bloody Warre against his *Majestie*) The *Moone* (*I say*) who is the naturall *significatrix* of such meane-Capacities is in the *6 House* very *sick* (*Master Lilly*) and nigh to the *Dragons Tayle*. These Positions will puzle and stupifie the *misguided Commonalty*, and make them know there's such a thing as *Allegiance*.

More particularly; the *Sun* thus posited, and also

to *Mercury* being free from *Combustion* and the *Infortunes*; And the *Dragons head* so neare the *Cusp* of *Ascending*; "*Salvationem corporis, agilitatem, & gaudium in itinere significant, bonam functionem, & applicari ad id quod vult. Holy Pag.* 324. *Jupiters* Position in the 10 *house* confirmes the same. *Holy Pag.* 328.

The *Moone* Lady of the 12, and moving betwixt the 8 *degr.* 34 *min.* and 21 *degr.* 26 *min.* of *Aquarius*, gives us to understand that His *Majest.* shall receive much contentment by certaine *Messages* brought him from *Forraigne Parts*; And that he shall receive some suddaine and unexpected supply of ——— by the meanes of some that assimulate the condition of his Enemies: And withall this comfort; That His *Majestie* shall be exceeding successefull in besieging of *Townes, Castles*, or *Forts*, and in pursuing the Enemy. See *Holy Pag.* 346.

Mars in *Sextile* to the *Sunne Lord* of the *Ascendent*, (which happeneth the 18 day of *May*) will encourage our Souldiers to advance with much Alacrity and chearefulnesse of spirit; and to shew themselves gallant in the most dangerous attempts.

The *Ascendent* and *Tenth House* being both *Fixed Signes* tells us, That the match shall not be so speedy as is expected, but with great deliberation and care of setling the Affaires of the distracted Counties through which His *Majestie* passeth. Yet the great dominion of *Mercury* doth intimate quicke Action about the latter end of *June*, and the most part of *July*. O! what scuffling there will be amongst the Zelots before the middle of *November*! How many dales of

Humiliation?

Humiliation? what Feares? what Jealousies? what Discontents and wranglings? what Murmurings? how many Lies and Forgeries raised and dispersed to quicken a Dull and Dying Faction?

The next thing (in Order) which we are to consider is the Signe and Degr. of the 7 *house*, which in this Scheme is the 22 *degr.* and 21 *min.* of *Aquarius*, the house of *Saturne*, but Terme of *Jupiter*: *Saturne* being in the 9 house of the Heavens in the end of *Aries*, and in a *Sextile* with the *Cuspe* of the 7 house, and in a *Quartile* with *Mars*.

" *Si gradus 7 domus fuerit dignitas 4 timebitur &*
" *honorabitur & credetur eius verbis a gente illius Terra*
" *ad quam vadit, & erit dilectus, & receptus a Gente Ter-*
" *ra ad quam vadit cum gaudio, et laetitia.*

Here by the word *Gente* we must understand the *County* or *Counties* principally aimed at by His *Majesty*. And this happy Reception is further attested by the propinquity of *Venus* to the *Sunne* as he is *Lord* of the *Ascendent*, and in the House of *Kings*, *&c.*

Aquarius being a fixed Signe tels us that he shall not quickely remove thence, but remaine there some convenient time for the setling of some important Affaires, and a full reducing of those Counties to their obedience.

If any man would be satisfied to what Quarter of the Heavens the designe is intended, although he may guesse something by the Motion which the Army hath already made, yet he may informe his Judgment best by considering the Signes of the 4 *Angles*, *viz.* *Leo*, *Taurus*, *Aquarius*, and *Scorpio*, (which he shall

find to be the one halfe *Northerne*, the other *Southerne*; and also the Signes wherein the Planets are, viz. *Aries*, *Taurus*, *Gemini*, *Leo*, and *Aquarius*, which are all of them (except the last wherein the *Moone* is) *Sententrionall*. Which will assuredly determine that the Progresse and principall Actions of this Army or the greatest part thereof are like to be *Northerly*, inclining sometimes to the *East*, otherwhiles to the *West*, as the Occasions of Warre requires.

The 4 and last thing to be examined is the 4 house: The *Cuspe* whereof is the 9 *degr.* and 31 *min.* of *Scorpio*, the most viperous signe of the *Zodiaque*, where *Mars* hath the *Dignities* of *Triplicity* and *Decade*. But is unfortunately collocated in the 12 house of the *Figure*. This position of his ought to forewarne our *Commanders* to take heed of some Disaster immediately before His *Maiesty* betake him to his *Winter Quarters*: It seemes to be the beating up of an Out-quarter, and the surprisall of some few of our *Men*, who value their ease more then their safety: I'le say no more: But I hope the Diligence and vigilancy of our Commanders may prevent the danger.

And now to summe up all: It is most apparent to every impartiall and ingenuous Judgement: That (although His *Maiesty* cannot expect to be secured from every triviall disaster that may befall his Army, either by the too much presumption, ignorance, or negligence of some particular persons, which is frequently incident and unavoidable in the best of Armies) yet the severall Positions of the Heavens duly considered and compared amongst themselves, as well

in the prefixed *Schemes* at the *Quarters* ingresse, doe generally render His *Majesty* and his whole Army unexpectedly victorious and successefull in all his Designes; Beleive it (*Londen*) thy miseries approach, they are like to be many, great and greivous, and not to be diverted, unlesse thou seasonably crave pardon of *God* for being *Nurse* to this present *Rebellion*, and speedily submit to thy Princes mercy: Which shall be the daily Prayer of,

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